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CATTLE & CALF INVENTORY

UNITED STATES: All cattle and calves in the United States as of July 1, 2006, totaled 105.7 million head, 1 percent above the 104.5 million on July 1, 2005 and 2 percent above the 103.4 million two years ago.

All cows and heifers that have calved, at 43.0 million, were up slightly from the 42.8 million on July 1, 2005 and 1 percent above the 42.4 million two years ago.

Beef cows, at 33.9 million, were up

slightly from July 1, 2005 and up 1 percent from two years ago.

Milk cows, at 9.15 million, were up 1 percent from July 1, 2005 and up 2 percent from two years ago.

The 2006 calf crop is expected to be 37.9 million, up slightly from 2005 and up 1 percent from 2004. Calves born during the first half of the year are estimated at 27.6 million, up 1 percent from 2005 and up 1 percent from 2004.

**CATTLE AND CALVES, NUMBER BY CLASS AND CALF CROP,
UNITED STATES, JULY 1, 2004-2006 1/**

Class	United States			
	2004	2005	2006	2006 as % Of 2005
	- - - - - 1,000 Head - - - - -			Percent
Cattle and Calves	103,400	104,500	105,700	101
Cows and Heifers that have Calved	42,400	42,800	43,000	100
Beef Cows	33,400	33,750	33,850	100
Milk Cows	9,000	9,050	9,150	101
Heifers 500 lbs. and Over	15,950	16,200	16,500	102
For Beef Cow Replacement	4,800	5,000	5,000	100
For Milk Cow Replacement	3,600	3,700	3,800	103
Other Heifers	7,550	7,500	7,700	103
Steers 500 lbs. and Over	14,200	14,400	14,900	103
Bulls 500 lbs. and Over	2,050	2,100	2,100	100
Calves Under 500 lbs.	28,800	29,000	29,200	101
Calf Crop	37,505	37,780	37,900	100
Cattle on Feed	11,800	12,000	12,500	104

1/ July 1, 2006 cattle numbers not published for individual states.

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CATTLE ON FEED

SOUTH DAKOTA: South Dakota's 1,000+ capacity feedlots reported 180,000 **cattle on feed** for the slaughter marker on July 1. This is up 19,000 head from a year earlier but down 15,000 head from last month.

Placements during June totaled 29,000 head, up 3,000 head from last year but down 4,000 head from May.

Marketings of fed cattle during June totaled 41,000 head, down 7,000 head from a year ago but up 7,000 head from May.

Other disappearance during June totaled 3,000 head, unchanged from last year but down 1,000 from May.

UNITED STATES: **Cattle and calves on feed** for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.9 million head on July 1, 2006. The inventory was 5 percent above July 1, 2005 and 7 percent above July 1, 2004.

This is the second highest July 1 inventory since the series began in 1996. The inventory included 7.09 million steers and steer calves, up 4 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 65 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 3.71 million head, up 5 percent from 2005.

Placements in feedlots during June totaled 1.95 million, 10 percent above 2005 and 18 percent above 2004. Net placements were 1.89 million. During June, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 565,000, 600-699 pounds were 430,000, 700-799 pounds were 456,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 500,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during June totaled 2.20 million, 6 percent above 2005 and up 6 percent from 2004.

Other disappearance totaled 63,000 during June, unchanged from 2005 but 10 percent below 2004.

CATTLE ON FEED (1,000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS), SOUTH DAKOTA AND UNITED STATES, JULY 1, 2005 & 2006

Item	South Dakota			United States		
	2005	2006	2006 as % of 2005	2005	2006	2006 as % of 2005
	- 1,000 Head -		Percent	- 1,000 Head -		Percent
On feed, June 1	186	195	105	10,771	11,187	104
Placed on feed during June	26	29	112	1,769	1,951	110
Fed cattle marketed during June	48	41	85	2,083	2,203	106
Other disappearance during June 1/	3	3	100	63	63	100
On feed, July 1	161	180	112	10,394	10,872	105

1/ Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

QUARTERLY MILK PRODUCTION

SOUTH DAKOTA: The **April - June 2006 quarterly milk production** for South Dakota totaled 382 million pounds, 3 percent above last year's 371 million pounds and 5 percent above last quarter's 364 million pounds.

The **average number of milk cows** during the second quarter, at 81,000, is the same as the second quarter of last year and the first quarter this year.

UNITED STATES: **Milk production** in the U.S. during the April - June quarter totaled 46.9 billion pounds, up 2.3 percent from the April - June quarter last year.

The **average number of milk cows** in the U.S. during the quarter was 9.13 million head, 93,000 head more than the same period last year.

MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION, SELECTED STATES, APRIL - JUNE, 2004 - 2006

State	April - June Milk Cows 1/			April - June Milk Production 2/			2006 as % of 2005
	2004	2005	2006	2004	2005	2006	
	- - - - - 1,000 Head - - - - -			- - - - - Million Pounds - - - - -			Percent
Iowa	195	193	200	991	1,030	1,048	102
Minnesota	462	455	450	2,084	2,135	2,138	100
Nebraska	60	60	61	266	279	289	104
North Dakota	34	33	32	139	135	131	97
South Dakota	81	81	81	343	371	382	103
Wisconsin	1,242	1,234	1,242	5,625	5,875	5,987	102
United States	9,004	9,041	9,134	43,870	45,831	46,896	102

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

SHEEP & LAMB INVENTORY

REGIONAL: All sheep and lambs inventory on July 1, 2006, in Region 3 (Colorado, Montana, South Dakota, Utah, & Wyoming) totaled 2.65 million head, the same as July 1, 2005. Breeding sheep inventory and **market sheep and lambs** (including newborn lambs) were also the same as July 1, 2005.

Of the July 1, 2006 **breeding herd** 1,220,000 head were ewes 1 year old and older, 40,000 head were rams one year old and older, and 200,000 were replacement lambs (including newborn lambs).

The 2006 **lamb crop** is expected to total 1.30 million head, up 10,000 head from 2005.

UNITED STATES: All sheep and lamb inventory in the United States on July 1, 2006, totaled 7.77 million head, down slightly from July 1, 2005, but 2 percent above July 1, 2004. Breeding sheep inventory, at 4.64 million

head on July 1, 2006, was down slightly from July 1, 2005. **Market sheep and lambs** (including newborn lambs), at 3.14 million head, were also down slightly from last July.

The **breeding herd** consists of 3.78 million ewes one year old and older, 185,000 rams one year old and older, and 670,000 replacement lambs (including newborn lambs).

The 2006 **lamb crop** in the United States is expected to total 4.10 million head, down 1 percent from the 2005 lamb crop of 4.13 million head. Lambs born during January through June 2006 totaled 3.62 million head or 88 percent of the yearly total. An additional 480,000 head are expected to be born during the period July through December 2006.

Region 3 (CO, MT, SD, UT, & WY) accounted for 34.1 percent of all sheep and lambs in the United States.

SHEEP AND LAMB INVENTORY, REGION 3 AND UNITED STATES, 2006

Item	Region 3 1/			United States		
	2005	2006	2006 as % of 2005	2005	2006	2006 as % of 2005
All Sheep and Lambs	2,650	2,650	100	7,800	7,770	100
Breeding Sheep and Lambs	1,460	1,460	100	4,655	4,635	100
Ewes 1 Year+	1,220	1,220	100	3,790	3,780	100
Rams 1 Year+	40	40	100	185	185	100
Replacement Lambs	200	200	100	680	670	99
Market Sheep and Lambs	1,190	1,190	100	3,145	3,135	100
Breeding Ewes 1+ (Jan. 1)	1,058	1,074	102	3,573	3,657	102
Lambs per 100 Ewes 1+ (Jan. 1)	122	121	99	115	121	97
Lamb Crop	1,290	1,300	101	4,120	4,100	100
Lambs Born Jan. - June 2/	1,260	1,280	102	3,650	3,620	99
Lambs Expected July - Dec. 3/	30	20	67	470	480	102

1/ States included in Region 3 as follows: CO, MT, SD, UT, & WY. 2/ Lambs born alive between January 1, through June 30, 2006.

3/ Lambs expected to be born July through December 2006.

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COLD STORAGE

STOCKS IN COLD STORAGE, UNITED STATES

Commodity	Jun 30, 2005	May 31, 2006	Jun 30, 2006	Jun 2006 as % of	
				Jun 2005	May 2006
	----- Thousand Pounds -----			----- Percent -----	
Butter	179,648	229,887	228,555	127	99
Cheese, Total Natural	823,444	846,260	863,852	105	102
Eggs, Frozen	19,681	21,017	22,133	112	105
Fruits, Frozen	765,766	740,290	847,993	111	115
Fruit Juices, Frozen	1,812,522	1,460,961	1,388,663	77	95
Meat, Total Red	851,659	926,210	866,925	102	94
Beef, Total Frozen	342,106	434,552	438,285	128	101
Pork, Total Frozen	492,494	473,317	408,722	83	86
Poultry, Frozen	1,199,617	1,247,606	1,293,510	108	104
Chicken	690,840	773,099	782,004	113	101
Turkey	506,302	466,579	505,384	100	108
Vegetables, Total Frozen	1,515,635	1,369,674	1,433,024	95	105
Potatoes, Total Frozen	1,190,464	1,105,186	1,103,379	93	100

Data are collected from warehouses artificially cooled to a temperature of 50 degrees Fahrenheit or lower, and whose food products are normally stored for 30 days or more. All food items in these facilities are reported regardless of the number of days stored at the time of the report. Also included are specialized storage facilities meeting the 30 day requirement, such as fruit houses, dairy manufacturing plants, frozen fruit, fruit juice, and vegetable processors, and poultry and meat packing plants. Excluded are stocks in space maintained by wholesalers, jobbers, distributors, chain stores, locker plants containing individual lockers, meat packer branch houses, and frozen food processors whose entire inventories are turned over more than once a month.

SLAUGHTER

COMMERCIAL SLAUGHTER, RED MEAT PRODUCTION, SOUTH DAKOTA AND UNITED STATES 1/

Kind	Unit	Slaughter			Jun 2006 as % of		Jan-Jun 2/		
		Jun 2005	May 2006	Jun 2006	Jun 2005	May 2006	2005	2006	2006 as % of 2005
<u>S.DAK.</u>					- - - Percent - - -		Million Pounds Liveweight	Percent	
Cattle	1,000 Head	4/	4/	4/	--	--	4/	4/	--
Hogs	1,000 Head	405.1	351.8	314.6	78	89	591.8	584.6	99
Sheep	1,000 Head	1.3	1.1	1.1	85	100	0.673	0.841	125
Red Meat 3/	Million Lbs.	84.5	76.6	70.0	83	91	477.6	475.4	100
<u>U.S.</u>									
Cattle	1,000 Head	2,937.6	3,038.7	3,159.0	108	104	19,685.3	21,023.2	107
Hogs	1,000 Head	8,553.8	8,537.0	8,342.2	98	98	13,649.3	13,859.0	102
Sheep	1,000 Head	221.7	225.8	211.8	96	94	188.9	193.2	102
Red Meat 3/	Million Lbs.	3,962.0	4,049.1	4,119.6	104	102	22,245.1	23,269.1	105

1/ Includes slaughter under Federal inspection and other Commercial slaughter, excludes farm slaughter. 2/ Accumulated totals and percentages based on unrounded data. 3/ Red Meat is based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter. 4/ Data not published to avoid disclosing individual operations. * Revised.

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